

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A process for producing a hollow molded article having an open end by blow-molding method, ~~which comprises~~ , comprising:

setting a resin parison in cavity formed by a pair of metal mold members,  
blowing a pressurized gas into the resin parison to form an intermediate molded article, and

cutting a predetermined part ~~from~~ of the intermediate molded article with forward or backward movement of a cutting means which is movable ~~excessly~~ reciprocally across the cavity.

2. (Currently Amended) A process according to the claim 1, wherein the ~~predetermined part of the intermediate molded article is cut with a~~ cutting means ~~which is~~ attached to ~~the one member~~ of the metal mold members and is movable reciprocally in a cross direction relative to the longitudinal or axial direction of the cavity.

3. (Currently Amended) A process according to the claim 1, wherein the cutting means is guided movably along a groove or slit formed in the metal mold members, ~~and the predetermined part of the intermediate molded article is cut with the cutting means.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A process according to the claim 1, wherein

the cutting means comprises a blade ~~being crossable~~ constructed and arranged so as to be movable in an across direction relative to the axial direction of the intermediate molded article, and

at least one end of the intermediate molded article is cut by the blade ~~of the cutting means~~.

5. (Currently Amended) A process for cutting an unnecessary portion(s) of a hollow molded article in a metal mold, ~~which comprises~~ comprising:

setting a resin parison in cavity formed by a pair of metal mold members,  
closing the metal mold members and blowing a pressurized gas into the resin parison to expand and form an intermediate molded article, and  
cutting a predetermined part of the intermediate molded article with forward movement of a blade ~~of a cutting means~~ which is ~~movable crossly~~ constructed and arranged to move across the cavity.

6. (Currently Amended) A blow-molding apparatus for producing a hollow molded article, ~~which comprises~~ comprising:

a pair of metal mold members which ~~are openable or closable~~ are constructed and arranged so that they can be opened and with respect to each other and are formable to form a cavity for accommodating a resin parison,

~~a blowing means~~ an arrangement for blowing a pressurized gas into the resin parison to form an intermediate molded article,

a cutting means, which is constructed and arranged so as to be movable crossly reciprocally across the cavity, for cutting a predetermined part of the intermediate molded article, and

a reciprocating means for reciprocating the cutting means.

7. (Currently Amended) A blow-molding apparatus according to the claim 6, wherein the inner wall of the metal mold members has a groove or slit therein extending ~~to~~ in a cross direction relative to the axial direction of the intermediate molded article, and the cutting means comprises a cutter unit for cutting the intermediate molded article and an actuating means for actuating the cutter unit to move in a forward or backward direction along the groove or slit.

8. (Original) A blow-molding apparatus according to the claim 7, wherein the groove or slit is formed at a position of the inner wall corresponding to an end or edge of a final molded article.

9. (Currently Amended) A blow-molding apparatus according to the claim 7, wherein the cutter unit has a circular hollow blade ~~being acceptable the accommodation of the resin parison.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A blow-molding apparatus according to the claim 7, wherein the cutter unit has ~~at least~~ an inclined or curved blade which contacts pointedly or in point or linearly substantially with the surface of the intermediate molded article.

11. (Currently Amended) A blow-molding apparatus according to the claim 6, ~~which~~  
~~further comprises~~ further comprising:

a stopper ~~being constructed and arranged so as to be~~ displaceable forward or  
backward against an end of the resin parison and closable tightly the end of the resin parison  
in association with the mold members, and

a control unit for controlling the forward or backward movement of the cutting means  
in response to the backward or forward movement of the stopper relative to the intermediate  
molded article, wherein the forward displacement of the stopper regulates the advancement of  
the cutting means and the backward displacement of the stopper allows to move the cutting  
means forward.